

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1100

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Kahari S. Nash, Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards honoree.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and energies toward enhancing the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Kahari S. Nash, who is being honored at the Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards in recognition of the leadership and service he has provided to the people of Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, a professional investor, business developer, and franchising expert, Mr. Nash created the "Don't Be McFooled" protest that brought international media attention to *Byrd v. McDonald's*, a national class action lawsuit, questioning how McDonald's Corporation treated its Black franchisees; his development of the \$1 Billion Alternative Finance for Minority Fast Food Owners Fund led to the filing of the suit; and

WHEREAS, a champion for his community, Mr. Nash is also the cofounder of Equity For All (EFA), an economic justice think tank structured to root out systemic racism in corporate America and worldwide; and

WHEREAS, a native of Mound Bayou, Mississippi, Mr. Nash is very proud to hail from the oldest Black town in America. As a fitting tribute, he recently served as executive producer of *Mound Bayou: The Most Remarkable Town In The South*, which is slated for national release in the fall of 2022; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Kahari Nash has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity; his commitment to excellence and community service is representative of the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Kahari S. Nash upon his recognition at the Fourth Annual Living Legend Awards, applaud his outstanding community leadership, salute his professional expertise and personal excellence, and extend our best wishes for continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.